

MINUTES
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2011
TRAINING ROOM
3300 CAPITOL AVE., BUILDING B
FREMONT, CALIFORNIA
7:15 P.M.

1. **SECRETARY CALL FOR QUORUM**

2. **CALL TO ORDER**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Chair Hoffman, Vice Chair Smith, Commissioners Campbell, La, Leung, Walsh and Watanuki.

Absent: Commissioner Vuppala

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the September 19, 2011 meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Leung to accept the minutes from September 19, 2011. The motion was approved and so ordered. Commissioners La, Watanuki, and Campbell abstained.

5. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

6. **WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS**

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Commissioner La announced that BAWAR's 40th anniversary Party will be held on November 4, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at Preservation Park in Oakland. He also noted that Family Justice Center in Oakland had a severe fire over the weekend.

8. **CONSENT ITEMS**

8.1 None

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

9.1 HRC Work Plan

The Commission reviewed the work plan and requested descriptions of each committee are included in each section and that a new one for 2012

be submitted for them to use at the next meeting where they will review the document. Commissioners will decide if they want to keep the current committees, add to them or change which ones they serve on.

9.2 Human Relations Award Discussion

Commissioner decided to add the Human Relations Awards to the work plan under Community Outreach Committee.

Commissioners requested a few more changes in the nomination form:

- Title on page one to read: “Human Relations Commission Awards Criteria”; the City of Fremont logo on top left margin.
- Nomination Form – page three: Title to read “Human Relations Commission Awards Nomination Form”; the City of Fremont logo on top left margin.
- Page three, Nomination Form: Remove Male, Female, Ethnic Background and Approx. Age line. Also remove the (home) and (Business) where phone is listed. Leave phone on it own.

A motion was made by Commissioner La and seconded by Commissioner Watanuki to accept the Awards Criteria and Nomination Form with the above changes. The motion was approved and so ordered.

9.3 Outcome of Management Partners Sustainability Report Council Recommendations

Suzanne Shenfil provided an update on the outcome of the Management Partners Sustainability Report recommendations presented to the City Council on October 4, 2011.

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Appointment of 2012 HRC Chairperson and Vice-Chair Nominating Committee

The Commission appointed Commissioners La, Watanuki and Walsh as the Nominating Committee for new officers. The Nominating Committee shall obtain consent of nominees, and then notify staff of its recommendations prior to the next meeting. Nominations will be considered at the November meeting.

10.2 Human Exploitation and Trafficking (HEAT) Presentation

Sister Elaine Marie Sanchez, and Sister Cartas Foster from Sisters of the Holy Family, spoke to the Commission on Human Exploitation and

Trafficking (HEAT). They have received a grant to do training in our area. They hope to complete two trainings and came to ask the Commission to co-sponsor a future event. They will return to the Commission when they have firmed up the details of the event.

11. COMMISSION REFERRALS

11.1 None

12. STANDING AND ADHOC COMMITTEE REPORTS (Oral reports on relevant meetings/events)

12.1 Strengthening Fremont Serving Non Profits Committee

Commissioner Walsh attended the last meeting in September which was an orientation for the group. The next meeting is Tuesday, October 18, 2011 on the FRC Strategic Plan.

12.2 Community Dialogue and Resource Sharing Committee

No update

12.3 Community Outreach Committee

Chair Hoffman met with the Chair of the Art Review board and discussed a movie titled "Miss Representation" about how the media portrays women in power. The movie will be shown at Ohlone College. Chair Hoffman will bring dates to the December meeting.

12.4 Advocacy Committee

Staff to send a Save the Date card out electronically to City Council members for the HRC Reception at the Dominican Sisters Home on January 31, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

12.5 "Make a Difference Day" Committee

Christine Beitsch reported that to date, there were over 35 projects for MADD. She will be emailing a list of the projects to the Commissioners by the end of the week so they can choose which sites they would like to visit.

Commissioners Watanuki, La and Chair Hoffman said they would be able to make the MADD Recognition event on November 8, 2011.

12.6 Other Commission Updates

RECOMMENDATION: Receive reports from Commissioners on relevant meetings/events.

13. STAFF REPORTS

13.1 Attendance Summary (**Attachment 13.1**)

13.2 Calendar (**Attachment 13.2**) of HRC regular/special meetings and events.

14. REFERRALS TO STAFF (this is for items referred by an individual Commissioner. A Commission vote in favor of an item here means it will be placed on a future Commission agenda as an item of new business. A vote against means it will be dropped without consideration).

15. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Watanuki and seconded by Vice Chair Smith to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved and so ordered.